

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:
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For: PROCESS FOR THE SEPARATION OF
PALLADIUM CATALYST FROM CRUDE
REACTION MIXTURES OF ARYL ACETIC
ACIDS OBTAINED BY CARBONYLATION

Examiner: Oh, Taylor V.

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

MS Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated April 24, 2008, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 3 of this paper.